

# HAMILTON ON CRATER OF KILAUEA

"I am convinced that you have a world in the formative state here," said Bishop John W. Hamilton, of the Methodist church, speaking of his recent trip to Kilauea, and of the effect made upon him by the volcano. "But that crater is dying. I do not claim any scientific knowledge concerning such matters, remember. I speak merely as an ordinary observer. But I think, unless you can secure another outbreak somewhere pretty soon, you will have to get a new attraction if you want to number live volcanoes among the things that draw visitors here."

"I was not at all disappointed in my visit to Kilauea. I found, in effect, what I had expected to find. And I found more because there were some phenomena noted during my visit to the crater that were out of the ordinary. I had not expected to see, at Kilauea, a great explosive cone throwing out fire and rock, as Vesuvius does. On the contrary, I had looked for a deep pit, quiet so far as explosive effect was concerned, but not the least majestic and impressive upon that account. I am a lover of nature, whether in her awesome moods or in merely esthetic dress, and I take off my hat to her."

"I had had a long trip before seeing the volcano, and had long trips afterwards, and the sea voyage to Hilo was rough. You see, I traveled many miles overland visiting the various plantations, my object being to seek out the Japanese and Koreans and explain to them the purpose of our church in these islands. I found them everywhere intensely interested."

**HILLO TIDAL WAVE.**  
"On the very night that we reached Hilo, after having made a very rough landing, some people came running in to the hotel just as we had finished dinner and told us that there had been a tidal wave, and that the Japanese fishermen were leaving their houses and feeling to the higher ground, and that the water had gone out of the Waialeale river, and the boys were running across its bed. We went down to see, but the water had come back into the river by that time."

"A little later, while Mrs. Hamilton and myself were on our way to church, we heard a great roaring noise, and I remarked that the storm was raging outside. But afterwards we learned that there had been a second tidal wave. Everybody at Hilo told us then that we were certain to see something unusual at the crater when we went up there."

"I could not get up to the volcano for a few days, however, being compelled to visit some of the plantations about Hilo. And, by the way, I think if Congress will spend some money there can be a better harbor made at Hilo than at Los Angeles, and that there will be a city there eventually."

"When we did go to Kilauea, we found that there had been no marked change there excepting a very notable increase in the number of places from which steam was escaping in the plain about the volcano. The vents had shifted, moreover, so that no sulphur vapor was coming into the bathhouses, and, although Mr. Lycurgus worked hard during all the time of our stay there, he did not succeed in getting any sulphur steam. But there was lots of it everywhere else."

**AT THE PIT'S MOUTH.**  
"That night, when the horses came up, we rode down into the crater, and at the place where the guide usually boils coffee we found a great increase in the heat and in the volume of fumes coming out. Also, the wind seemed to have shifted the clouds of vapor from the pit to the side from which the edge is usually approached, so that it was impossible to go up close to the pit on that side. We left the ladies at the corral, not deeming it safe to take them any farther until we had explored the place a little, and the guide led us around to the other side of the Halemauau."

"Here he reached the edge, and had just called to me to come to where he was standing, and I had stepped forward, when there was a great roaring noise in the pit, followed by the rumble of falling rocks, seemingly away off, and a trembling of the ground upon which we stood. It was like standing on a wall and feeling the foundations crumble under your feet."

"Apparently, a great mass of the precipice seemed to have been undermined and to have fallen away into the pit, and as it went down an immense volume of black smoke came pouring out of the place, displacing the white steam. It was as though a new lot of carbon had been put on the fire and was being consumed. As the ground trembled, I asked the guide:

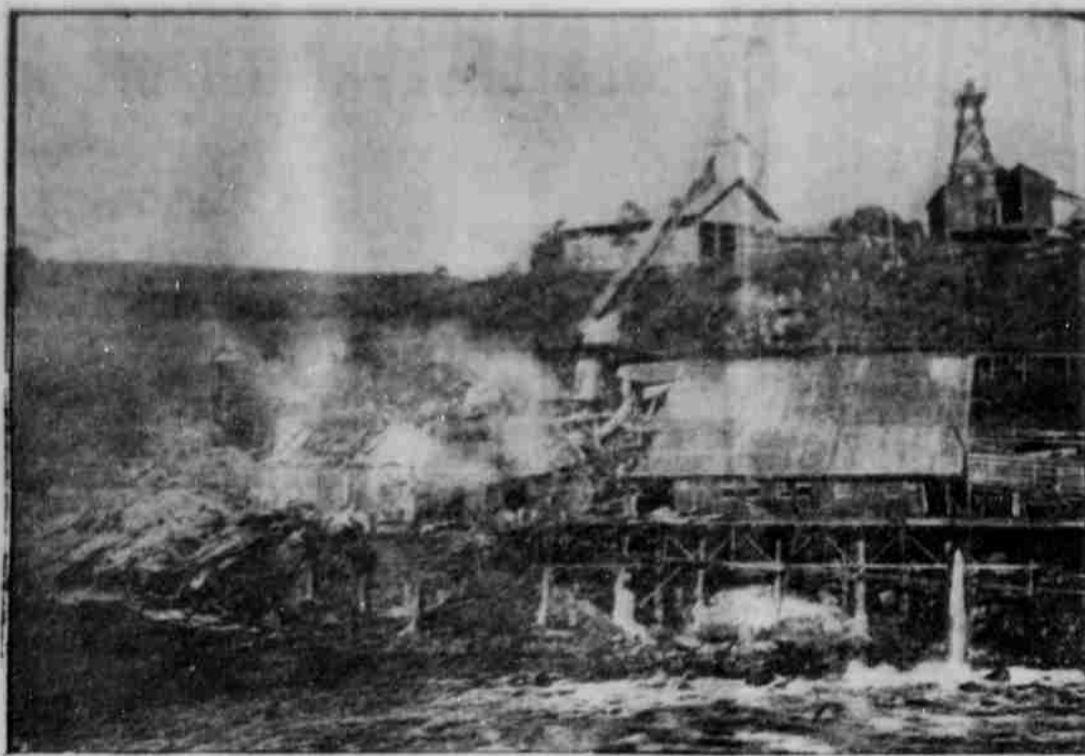
"Is that usual?"

**WENT AWAY FROM THERE.**  
"He said it was not, and then I remarked that I thought it was the part of prudence to get away from there, for we could not tell at what moment the wall on which we stood would give outward and fall into the pit. The guide was the first man away, although Dr. Wadman and myself made a close second."

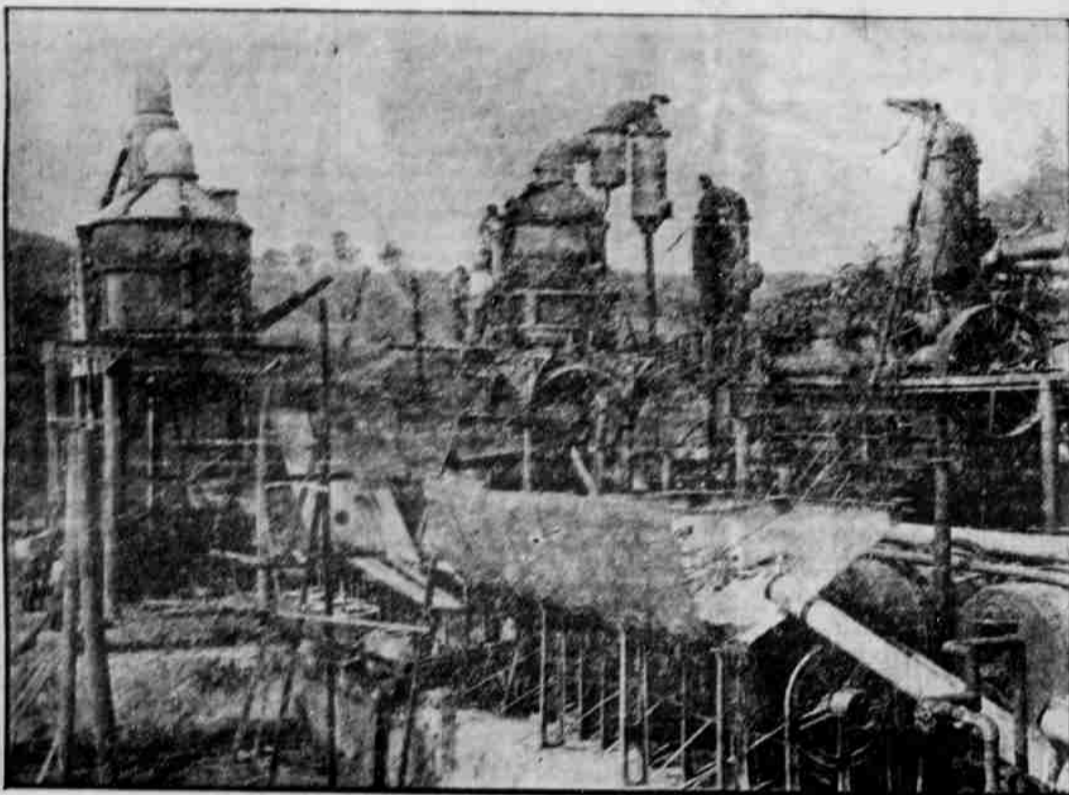
"The next day the guide reported that the whole side of the crater opposite to that on which he had been standing had fallen in, and so it was perhaps fortunate that we could not approach at the usual place. And when we drove from the volcano house we saw the sun, obscured by the black smoke from the pit's mouth, until it seemed a red ball—about as light as the moon in total eclipse the other night."

"Certainly there have been tremendous forces at work in these islands

## RUINS OF THE ONOMEA SUGAR MILL.



ONOMEA MILL IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FIRE—MILL AND MACHINE SHOP IN THE SHED UNINJURED.



VACUUM PANS PRACTICALLY UNINJURED.

The loss on the Onomea mill will not exceed \$100,000, on which there are \$68,000 insurance. A good deal of machinery is uninjured. The centrifugals are a total loss and new ones have been ordered. The total amount of sugar lost, manufactured and in process of manufacture, amounted to \$18,000 in value.

and they are still at work. They are preparing the ground for man's occupancy, and you will have a garden spot here after the rest of the world is worn out. It is a world in the formative stage—and it will be interesting to note its wealth and productivity increase as the lava is broken up and becomes soil more and more generally. But I do not look for any great outbreak ever to occur again in these islands.

## NOTES FROM COAST FILES

Elijah Dowle's mind is said to be gone.  
The East is in the grip of a cold wave.  
The Crockett refinery will open in March.  
Castro is making ready for war with France.  
Russia is again seeking a loan from France.  
The great Reading pool was broken by Keene.  
The government deficit will be soon wiped out.  
The Countess Castellane has sailed for New York.  
A Rigamob has stormed and captured a prison.  
Mormons are making easy converts in Dowle's Zion.  
Grove Cleveland denies that he will move to California.  
Slow progress is reported from the Morocco conference.  
Depue's resignation from the Equitable has been accepted.  
The Western Pacific road is planning a trans-Pacific service.  
The War Department will readopt the 4-caliber revolver.  
Frederick was proclaimed King of Denmark on January 20.  
Miners and operators are on the verge of a great coal strike.  
Lack of discipline is charged against the officers of the Valencia.  
A move against the Harriman move is being made in Congress.  
The W. C. T. U. is beginning a movement to abolish smoking in all trains.  
Prof. Ostwald of the University of Leipzig thinks science may yet create life.  
H. H. Irving, son of the late Henry Irving, will play in America in "Laughie Out."

Attempts to carry out the new church

separation law in France meets strong resistance.  
After denying it vigorously Mrs. Yerkes admits her marriage to Wilson Mizner.  
The President's secretary announces that he has made no offer of prizes for triplets.  
Instead of being crushed the Vladivostok mutineers are polling the city as volunteers.  
The wealth of the late Chas. Lockhart, one time partner of Rockefeller, was \$200,000,000.  
Cape Colony has sent a box of wonderful peaches for Alice Roosevelt's wedding breakfast.  
Judge Denel, the Town Topics adviser, will not resign from the bench but may be removed.  
Gen. Chaffee has retired and been succeeded by Gen. Bates. Gen. Bell will be chief of staff.  
Capt. Tonkay, the original "Huckleberry Finn" of Mark Twain's tale, is dead at Wallace, Idaho.  
The President will not accept Cuba's present of pearls for his daughter. He says the gift is too costly.  
Miss Edith Crater, an actress, may sue Wilson Mizner, Mrs. Yerkes' husband, for breach of promise.  
Defenders of a Paris church from inventory-makers used cayenne pepper and blinded many assailants.  
The contractors of the Western Pacific railroad will take no more Japanese. They find the labor unreliable.  
William J. Hanlin of Los Angeles went to Denver to attend his father's funeral and was made to pay an old alimony bill.  
Hiram Tice, president of the Continental Life Insurance company, will be arrested for making a false statement to the Utah insurance authorities.  
It is reported by Japanese papers that Admiral Viscount Ito, Counselor of the Supreme Military Council, formerly Chief of the Naval Staff Office, will be promoted to the rank of Admiral of the fleet, and General Count Nodzu, Commander of the Central Army, to the rank of Field-Marshal.

## JAPANESE BOY KILLED UNDER CARS

A Japanese boy was killed at Waipahu plantation yesterday about noon under a train of empty cars. The boy had been attending a Japanese school, and leaving his companions, had crawled between two of the cars standing on a switch near the roundhouse. The youngster was not seen by anyone until the train started off. The screams of the little fellow caused the trainmen to stop the engine. The boy was found under one car dead. He was not mangled and the wheels had not passed over his body. He had been struck by an under-bench

rod. A coroner's jury was empaneled and the matter was investigated yesterday afternoon. A verdict of accidental death was rendered.

The manager states that he has often warned the Japanese school teachers not to allow their charges to stray upon the tracks or to play around the empty cars. This warning was repeated recently.

## BIG CROWD WAS AT THE HALEIWA

(From MonCay's Advertiser)

Yesterday was a banner day in the history of Haleiwa Hotel. The hotel and grounds were overrun with guests. Tables for lunch and dinner were scattered all over the hotel to accommodate the crush. The guests were:

Bishop Restarick, Wm. Williamson, R. H. Jackson, H. Vickers, Hilo; Mrs. H. H. Avery, Oberlin, Ohio; Mrs. Edwin Benner, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sackwitz, W. E. Sharon, wife and son, Mrs. W. B. Standford, Harold Giffard, E. M. Campbell, J. C. Evans, W. W. Lyons, C. A. DeCew, Geo. Rodiek, H. M. von Holt, Miss von Holt, Miss Mary E. von Holt, Master H. V. von Holt, Rev. Canon Mackintosh, Jas. D. Dole, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sterling, Redland, Cal.; Mrs. and Miss Martin, Redland, Cal.; Miss Judd, Miss Tidale, San Francisco; Miss Restarick, General and Mrs. Davis, H. and Miss Mist, Miss Ethel Gay, Q. H. Berry, R. A. Jordan, C. S. Wright, Paul O. Schmidt, H. A. Wilder, W. C. Wilder, S. R. Jordan, E. H. Mozart, wife and daughter, San Francisco; C. J. Falk, C. J. Stilling, Jas. Newlands, Jr., Mrs. Jas. Newland, San Francisco; Jess Woods, Jas. D. Yost, U. S. A.; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin F. Kortwell, Miss Clara Kortwell, Miss Francis A. Kortwell, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Robert A. Holbrook, Arlington, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gilman, Miss Gilman, Miss Maggie Gilman, Norman Watkins, M. Phillips, F. Halstead, Miss Williams, Miss Alice Ziegler, J. B. Switzer, W. Putford and wife, H. D. Joe and wife, Capt. O. F. Holmes and wife, San Francisco; Capt. Geo. C. Heckley, Miss Junita Heckley, H. W. Perkins, B. Gregory, Trinidad, Colo.; J. W. Conney, Butte, Mont.; E. V. Englund, H. B. Giont, H. E. Pickett, F. H. Pettie, Miss Swan, Miss Gault, A. A. Dunn, Thos. Wadway, B. A. Wilson, O. A. Bennett, Mrs. O. A. Bennett, Miss J. K. Bush, S. A. Walker, C. B. Crane, R. O. Matheson, Bruce McV. Macdonald, Stewart Shipton, Englund, H. M. Carlisle, W. E. Taylor, E. H. Macdonald, Toronto, Ont.; W. I. Mitchell, J. A. McDonald, Toronto; John Collins, Jr., Frank H. Armstrong, Howard Turner and wife, San Francisco; Irwin Spalding, J. E. Jaeger.

## TOURIST QUESTION

(Special to the Advertiser.)

CAMBRIDGE (Mass.), January 24.—Without doubt Boston is one of the great tourist centers of the United States and it is to Hawaii's advantage to keep the charms of the Paradise of the Pacific before the eyes of New Englanders. Nowhere has your correspondent found such widespread and genuine interest in the subject of Hawaii, but nowhere is there a more profound ignorance of the history and present status of the islands. Some examples of this may be interesting.

A Harvard freshman, hearing that your correspondent was from Honolulu, remarked with evident pity in his tone, "I suppose your parents are missionaries." On being informed that there were a few white residents of Honolulu who were not missionaries, he asked again, "How many white people are there in Honolulu—a dozen or fifteen, I suppose?" In order to show that this is not merely the ignorance of a freshman, the bland query of a Methodist ex-missionary to India, who stated that he had traveled 80,000 miles, including a trip to Australia (via India), may be quoted. This gentleman after a lecture on India asked me whether Honolulu were not in the neighborhood of Singapore. Later, to do him justice, he recollected that it was in the "Sandwich Islands, somewhere in the Pacific." A graduate student at Johns Hopkins recently asked a charming young lady if her home were not on an island just off the coast of China.

And so it goes. Instance after instance of this ignorance among people of culture might be related. A story is told of Rev. Dr. Kincaid, who is well-known for his careful attention to details of dress. A gentleman who had been listening to a discourse by Dr. Kincaid remarked, "To the people out in Honolulu wear clothes?" "I do," was the answer of the astonished divine. Another subject which is the cause of a great deal of misapprehension is the leper settlement, which in the minds of some people is the main thing in the islands. After a public address on Hawaii last month your correspondent was introduced to a lady who thanked him for his description of the Molokai settlement. She said that she had been afraid to go to the islands because of the supposed danger of leprosy. The complete isolation of the Kalaupapa and Kalawao settlements is not at all understood here, where people do not know whether the settlement is one or five hundred miles from Honolulu.

Hawaii can largely blame herself for many of the erroneous impressions of the islands that prevail here. In a great deal of the promotion advertising the modern improvements of the islands are not given emphasis enough. This is not true of Mr. Logan's book, "Hawaii," or the folder of the same title. But it is nevertheless true that most of the pictures on Hawaiian subjects which circulate through the East are of the hula girl, waving palm, and spouting volcano order.

## A HINT TO PHOTOGRAPHERS.

Before coming to New England the writer vainly searched the stores of Honolulu for any photograph or book of views of Honolulu that should do justice to her business streets. Contrary to the custom in California cities, where views are taken when the streets are crowded, Honolulu photographers seem to have waited until every street car had vanished and only one or two native loafers were on the sidewalks before snapping their cameras. The promotion books of the western states always present views which show buildings in their best aspect. If the Honolulu street pictures can possibly include some tumble-down shack they usually do it. What are needed are some good pictures of busy streets with up-to-date trolley cars, of imposing buildings, fine residences, parks and a good harbor. A few tourists may be attracted by scantily-dressed hula girls and prehistoric grass huts, and a few of these pictures are desirable, but if Honolulu wants white citizens to come and live within her borders or even a large number of tourists, she must assure them that ox-carts are not the common means of suburban rapid transit, that one-story shacks are not the only business blocks, that grass houses are not the only residences and that Honolulu harbor is open to the commerce of the world—in short, that a busy, wide-awake American city has been transported to the center of an earthly paradise—a sort of Garden of Eden with all modern conveniences.

## A PROMOTION AGENT.

Your correspondent called at the Boston office of the Hawaii Promotion Committee recently and, without revealing his identity, made some inquiries about Hawaii. The office is located on Boylston street, the main artery to the residence section, and is in connection with the Colver Tours Company. There is a small sign in gold letters on the window among the signs of other agencies. The location is a fairly good one, although the window display of the agency has been unchanged for three or four months at least. A window display at one of the big railroad agencies on Washington street (the Broadway of Boston) or even here, would call a great deal of attention to Hawaii if properly arranged.

The gentlemanly agent in charge of the office was quite well-informed, evidently having read the two pamphlets on Hawaii distributed by the agency. He gave a very good description of the islands and the opportunities there, making only two slips—one in a statement that trolley cars ran from Honolulu to all suburban points, one line going to the volcano, or very close to it. The other was a slight error in the relation of the story of the Afong family, in which it was stated that Mr. and Mrs. Afong accumulated \$75

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millions. Mr. Afong leaving thirty to his Hawaiian wife on his return to China.

The agent said that he would very much like to take a trip to Honolulu. It would seem that it would pay the Promotion Committee to give its agents trips to Hawaii, as they would become much more enthusiastic and effective advertisers after a first-hand view of the islands.

## IS THE VOLCANO AN ASSET?

In regard to the volcano, it is to be doubted whether it is not a handicap rather than an asset in Hawaiian advertising. If people could understand that Hawaiian volcanoes had a sort of safety valve attachment that makes them perfectly safe playthings everything would be lovely, but unfortunately the average layman has an idea that all volcanoes are conventionalized cones of the Vesuvius type, with a spray of molten rock deluging the country for miles around (this last the result of artistic renderings of conventional volcanoes). Such a conception is enough to put Hawaii on the tabu list of nervous tourists, even if the Molokai and bubonic bugaboos had been laid to rest. One lady with difficulty suppressed a squeal of horror when your correspondent showed his home on the slopes of Punchbowl crater, but changed her idea when told that the sedate old landmark took his last smoke 43,000 years ago.

In looking over the situation it would seem to be a mistake to spend too much promotion money in Los Angeles in the hope of getting a few tourists who have already been squeezed dry by Los Angeles, Pasadena and Santa Barbara. Honolulu should not cultivate the reputation of being a tourist-squeezing city, but if she wants tourists she should strike the country where most of the tourists come from, and New England is the center of that region. In the acquisition of Mr. Wood, so well known throughout the East, Honolulu has made a great step. The fields of the East are ready for the harvest now.

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## KING OF ALL COUGH MEDICINES.

Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Connecticut, U. S. A., who has been in the United States Service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effect. We are never without it in the house. For sale by all dealers and druggists. Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii."